Franklin Institute.

Proceedings of the Stated Monthly Meeting, March 18th, 1868.

THE meeting was called to order, with the Vice-President, Mr. Coleman Sellers, in the Chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Actuary submitted the minutes of the Board of Managers, and reported that, at their stated meeting, held March 11th, inst., a letter was received from Lieut. Col. D. E. Macpherson, of Allery, Melrose, Scotland, announcing the death of his father, Sir David Brewster, on the 10th of February, ult., in the 87th year of his age, which was referred to the Institute to take suitable action.

Donations were received from the Royal Astronomical Society, the Statistical Society, the Society of Arts, the Royal Geographical Society, the Institution of Civil Engineers, London, and the Association for the Prevention of Steam Boiler Explosions, Manchester, England; l'Academie des Sciences, and la Société d'Encouragement pour l'Industrie Nationale, Paris, France; J. Smith Homans, Esq., New York; Hon. G. M. Dodge, Chief Engineer Union Pacific Railroad, Omaha, Nebraska; Dr. John F. Boynton, Syracuse, New York; Dr. J. Graham Tull, and Dr. Thomas S. Kirkbride, Philadelphia.

The various Standing Committees reported their minutes. A paper on Telescopic Measurements was read by Mr. B. S. Lyman, Mining Engineer.

The Secretary's report on Novelties, &c., was then read.

A committee consisting of Prof. R. E. Rogers, M.D., and Prof. H. Morton, was appointed by the President to prepare resolutions on the death of Sir David Brewster.

After which the meeting adjourned.

HENRY MORTON, *Secretary.*

Bibliographical Notices.

A Treatise on Meteorology. By Charles Loomis, LL.D., Professor of Natural Philosophy and Astronomy in Yale College. Harper & Brothers, New York. J. B. Lippincott & Co., Philadelphia.

The above work, gotten up in a plain, substantial style, is intended chiefly as a text-book for students. It is illustrated by a